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Dear Joe:

Thanks for your note. If it seems to tie in with the zone effect of penicillin in L form growth, we may follow up the "bactericidin". (Do you want to christen it?)

We have one experiment where E. coli B and B/1,t plus tryptophane were also killed, but I'm not absolutely certain all the penicillin was ~~inactivated~~. Your paper refers to B52; if you tested B itself I'll be glad to hear about it.

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I'll be glad to see you at Haverford; they have a first lien on my time and I'd better not make any other dates. But if you're coming to the lecture I'll look for you there.

Yours sincerely,

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